

Supplemental Material

Ranolazine for congenital and acquired late I_{Na} linked arrhythmias: *in silico* pharmacologic screening

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Materials and Methods Summary

A computational Markov model of the WT ranolazine, Δ KPQ drug-free, and Δ KPQ ranolazine, drug channel interaction was formulated via numerical optimization from experimentally derived rate constants as previously described¹. Channel models recapitulated many features of Na^+ channel blockade including time and voltage dependent recovery, frequency and use-dependent block, as well as tonic block. The drug channel model was incorporated into a computational model of the human ventricular myocyte as described previously¹. All source code used for simulations in this paper is available upon request. Full methods are below.

Full Materials and Methods

Simulations were encoded in C/C++ and run on a Sun Fire X4440 x64 Server and multiple Apple Intel based Mac Pros 3.0 GHz 8-Core using OpenMP with the Intel ICC compiler version 11.1. Numerical results were visualized using MATLAB R2012a by The Math Works, Inc. All parameter optimization source code used in this paper is available and can be obtained by emailing ceclancy@ucdavis.edu.

Inclusion of Bursting States in the Wild-Type Model

The wild-type drug-free model was used as previously described¹, but now includes a bursting regime. To model bursting states, a “burst” mode of gating from C3, C2, C1, and O, that includes 3 closed states and an open state is added to the model, and denoted with the prefix *B* (*BC3*, *BC2*, *BC1*, *BO*). The rates governing the transition between background and burst modes (μ_1 = entry into bursting mode, μ_2 = egress from bursting mode) are time independent and represent the probability of transitioning between the two modes of gating. Initial estimates were taken from². The bursting rate constants (μ_1 and μ_2) were optimized (all other rate constants held constant) to yield a sustained inward current of ~0.1% of the peak Na^+ current at tonic pacing (BCL = 3000) for WT, and a sustained inward current of 1% for the heart failure (HF) model. Further details about modeling sustained inward Na current can be found in Clancy et al.².

Online Table I

Transition rates

Drug free WT Na^+ channel (ms^{-1})

IC3 \rightarrow IC2, C3 \rightarrow C2	$\alpha_{11} = 8.5539 / (7.4392e-2 * \exp(-V/17.0) + 2.0373e-1 * \exp(-V/150))$
IC2 \rightarrow IF, C2 \rightarrow C1	$\alpha_{12} = 8.5539 / (7.4392e-2 * \exp(-V/15.0) + 2.0373e-1 * \exp(-V/150))$
C1 \rightarrow O	$\alpha_{13} = 8.5539 / (7.4392e-2 * \exp(-V/12.0) + 2.0373e-1 * \exp(-V/150))$
IC2 \rightarrow IC3, C2 \rightarrow C3	$\beta_{11} = 7.5215e-2 * \exp(-V/20.3)$
IF \rightarrow IC2, C1 \rightarrow C2	$\beta_{12} = 2.7574 * \exp(-(V-5)/20.3)$
O \rightarrow C1	$\beta_{13} = 4.7755e-1 * \exp(-(V-10)/20.3)$
IC3 \rightarrow C3, IC2 \rightarrow C2, IF \rightarrow C1	$\alpha_3 = 5.1458e-6 * \exp(-V/8.2471)$
C3 \rightarrow IC3, C2 \rightarrow IC2, C1 \rightarrow IF	$\beta_3 = 6.1205 * \exp(V/12.542)$
O \rightarrow IF	$\alpha_2 = 13.370 * \exp(V/43.749)$
IF \rightarrow O	$\beta_2 = (\alpha_{13} * \alpha_2 * \alpha_3) / (\beta_{13} * \beta_3)$
O \rightarrow IS	$\alpha_x = 3.4229e-2 * \alpha_2$
IS \rightarrow O	$\beta_x = 1.7898e-2 * \alpha_3$
C3, C2, C1, O \rightarrow BC3, BC2, BC1, BO	$\mu_1 = 2.0462e-7$ (WT); $2.7252e-7$ (HF)
BC3, BC2, BC1, BO \rightarrow C3, C2, C1, O	$\mu_2 = 8.9731e-4$ (WT); $1.9701e-4$ (HF)

Optimization procedure for Δ KPQ mutant sodium channel

Five pacing protocols were optimized: steady state availability ³ (shown to be similar to WT ⁴), steady state activation ⁵ (shown to be similar to WT ⁴), recovery from inactivation at -90mV ⁶, recovery from use-dependent block at -100mV, and time constant of inactivation from the open state ⁶. The model was further constrained by channel mean open time ⁴.

A cost function for each protocol was defined as the sum of squared differences between experiment and simulation. The total cost function (sum of the individual protocol errors) was then minimized and converged when a tolerance of 0.01 for the change of the cost function and 0.01 for the change in parameters was achieved. The initial conditions were set as the optimized WT Na⁺ channel recently published ¹. For the aforementioned protocols, entry and egress from the bursting state (μ_1 and μ_2 , respectively) were set at 0 (no bursting during optimization).

After initial optimization, bursting states were added to the model ⁷, and denoted with the prefix *B* (**BC3**, **BC2**, **BC1**, **BO**), as described for wild-type. The rate constants of the bursting regime (μ_1 , μ_2) were then optimized (all other rate constants held constant) to yield a sustained inward current of either 0.5% (O'Hara-Rudy model ⁸) or 1% (ten Tusscher ⁹ or Grandi-Bers model ¹⁰) of the peak Na⁺ current ^{4,11} at tonic pacing (BCL = 3000).

Online Table II

Transition rates

Δ KPQ Mutant Na⁺ channel (ms⁻¹)

IC3 → IC2, C3 → C2, BC3 → BC2	$\alpha_{11} = 1.6662e+01 / (6.7574e-02 \cdot \exp(-V/17.0) + 8.0935e-02 \cdot \exp(-V/150))$
IC2 → IF, C2 → C1, BC2 → BC1	$\alpha_{12} = 1.6662e+01 / (6.7574e-02 \cdot \exp(-V/17.0) + 8.0935e-02 \cdot \exp(-V/150))$
C1 → O, BC1 → BO	$\alpha_{13} = 1.6662e+01 / (6.7574e-02 \cdot \exp(-V/17.0) + 8.0935e-02 \cdot \exp(-V/150))$
IC2 → IC3, C2 → C3, BC2 → BC3	$\beta_{11} = 1.4984e-01 \cdot \exp(-V/20.3)$
IF → IC2, C1 → C2, BC1 → BC2	$\beta_{12} = 1.0868e+01 \cdot \exp(-(V-5)/20.3)$
O → C1, BO → BC1	$\beta_{13} = 1.9349e-01 \cdot \exp(-(V-10)/20.3)$
IC3 → C3, IC2 → C2, IF → C1	$\alpha_3 = 2.6699e-6 \cdot \exp(-V/7.5168)$
C3 → IC3, C2 → IC2, C1 → IF	$\beta_3 = 1.7538e+01 \cdot \exp(V/11.010)$
O → IF	$\alpha_2 = 7.6104 \cdot \exp(V/214.37)$
IF → O	$\beta_2 = (\alpha_{13} \cdot \alpha_2 \cdot \alpha_3) / (\beta_{13} \cdot \beta_3)$
O → IS	$\alpha_x = 8.6589e-02 \cdot \alpha_2$
IS → O	$\beta_x = 1.4265e-02 \cdot \alpha_3$
C3 → BC3, C2 → BC2, C1 → BC1, O → BO	$\mu_1 = 1.4397e-6$ (0.5% late); $2.6589e-06$ (1% late)
BC3 → C3, BC2 → C2, BC1 → C1, BO → O	$\mu_2 = 5.6593e-4$ (0.5% late); $4.6274e-04$ (1% late)

Optimization procedure for the drug channel interaction

Online Table III: Situation-Dependent Affinities of Ranolazine to the WT and Δ KPQ Na⁺ Channel (Experimental Data)

	WT	Δ KPQ
Tonic Block of Late I_{Na}	6 μ M ¹²	12.66 μ M, n = 0.7301 *
I_{Kr}	12 μ M ¹³	12 μ M ¹³
Tonic Block of Peak I_{Na}	165.2 μ M, n = 1.623 *	120.8 μ M, n = 1.115 *
Use-Dependent Block of I_{Na}	100.5 μ M, n = 1.015 *	83.11 μ M, n = 0.9082 *

n = Hill coefficient

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The Na⁺ drug-channel model parameters for the on and off rates of ranolazine are taken from experiments where available. These include diffusion rates that indicate drug on rates “k_{on}” = [drug]* D (diffusion rate) and affinities (Kd) to discrete conformations that determine drug off rates “k_{off}” = Kd*D (diffusion rate). The diffusion rate for ranolazine was assumed similar to other local anesthetics^{14, 15}, and set at 5500 M⁻¹ms⁻¹ in the computational model. Rates were also constrained by experimental data (described in detail below) and microscopic reversibility as in Colquhoun¹⁶.

Optimization of Wild-Type and Ranolazine Model

Five experimental protocols were used to constrain the model: steady state availability (SSA), tonic block (TB) of peak and late current, use-dependent block (UDB), recovery from UDB (RUDB), and frequency-dependent UDB (FDUDB). Charged drug rate constants (ax1, bx1, a13c, a22, b33, a33, Kd_{0,Bursting}), and neutral drug rate constants (ax2, a13n, a_22, b_33) were optimized.

Open state affinity for the charged form of ranolazine was derived from the Kd value from use-dependent block (UDB), and assumed to measure affinity to the open state. 100.5 μM was set as Kd₀ – the Kd at 0 mV. Closed state affinity of charged drug was then calculated using Eyring rate theory for the voltage dependence of rate constants ($Kd = Kd_0 * e^{(-d * V * F / (R * T))}$)¹⁷. For example, the computed Kd value at -100 mV for charged ranolazine is computed to be 1578 μM.

Bursting state affinity for charged ranolazine was initially set at the value found by assuming the affinity of tonic block of late I_{Na} was equal to Kd at -100 mV. Using $Kd = Kd_0 * e^{(-d * V * F / (R * T))}$, Kd₀ was then calculated and used as an initial value in the optimization. For example, the affinity of TB I_{Na,L} for WT is 6 μM¹²; if that value is assumed to equal Kd_{-100mV}, Kd_{0,Bursting} was initially set at 0.3822 μM.

Affinities of the neutral fraction of ranolazine to drug-bound states (Kd_{neutral}, Kd_{inactive_neutral}, Kd_{closed_neutral}) were initially held constant and assumed similar to flecainide^{1, 18}, because the model gave acceptable fits to the data, those rates were kept. The optimized rate constants are shown in the table below.

Optimization of ΔKPQ and Ranolazine Model

Four experimental protocols were used to constrain the model: tonic block (TB) of peak and late current, use-dependent block (UDB), recovery from UDB (RUDB), and frequency-dependent UDB (FDUDB). Charged drug rate constants (ax1, bx1, a13c, a22, b33, a33, Kd_{0,Bursting}), and neutral drug rate constants (ax2, a13n, a_22, b_33, Kd_{neutral}, Kd_{inactive_neutral}, Kd_{closed_neutral}) were optimized.

Open state affinity of the charged form of ranolazine was derived from the Kd value from use-dependent block (UDB), as described above for WT, and set at 83.11 μM. Closed state affinity of charged drug was then calculated using Eyring rate theory for the voltage dependence of rate constants ($Kd = Kd_0 * e^{(-d * V * F / (R * T))}$)¹⁷. Bursting state affinity for charged ranolazine was initially set at the value found by assuming the affinity of tonic block of late I_{Na} was equal to Kd at -100 mV, as described above for WT, and Kd_{0,Burst} was initially set at 0.8064 μM.

Affinities of the neutral fraction of ranolazine to drug-bound states (Kd_{neutral}, Kd_{inactive_neutral}, Kd_{closed_neutral}) were initially set to flecainide^{1, 18}, but were allowed to change throughout the optimization. The optimized rate constants are shown in the table below.

Online Table IV

WT Ranolazine

Transition rates (ms^{-1})

$k_{\text{on}} = k_{\text{closed, on}}$

$k_{\text{off}} = k_{\text{closed, off}}$

$k_{\text{bursting, on}} = k_{\text{closed bursting, on}}$

$k_{\text{bursting, off}} = k_{\text{closed bursting, off}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, on}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, off}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, inactivated, on}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, inactivated, off}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, closed, on}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, closed, off}}$

$D^+IC3 \rightarrow D^+IC2, D^+C3 \rightarrow D^+C2,$

$DIC3 \rightarrow DIC2, DC3 \rightarrow DC2$

$D^+IC2 \rightarrow D^+IF, D^+C2 \rightarrow D^+C1,$

$DIC2 \rightarrow DIF, DC2 \rightarrow DC1$

$D^+IC2 \rightarrow D^+IC3, D^+C2 \rightarrow D^+C3,$

$DIC2 \rightarrow DIC3, DC2 \rightarrow DC3$

$D^+IF \rightarrow D^+IC2, D^+C1 \rightarrow D^+C2,$

$DIF \rightarrow DIC2, DC1 \rightarrow DC2$

$D^+O \rightarrow D^+IS$

$D^+IS \rightarrow D^+O$

$DO \rightarrow DIS$

$D^+C1 \rightarrow D^+O$

$DC1 \rightarrow DO$

$D^+O \rightarrow D^+C1$

$DO \rightarrow DC1$

$DIS \rightarrow DO$

$D^+O \rightarrow D^+IF$

$DO \rightarrow DIF$

$D^+IF \rightarrow D^+O$

$DIF \rightarrow DO$

$D^+C3 \rightarrow D^+IC3, D^+C2 \rightarrow D^+IC2, D^+C1 \rightarrow D^+IF$

$DC3 \rightarrow DIC3, DC2 \rightarrow DIC2, DC1 \rightarrow DIF$

$D^+IC3 \rightarrow D^+C3, D^+IC2 \rightarrow D^+C2, D^+IF \rightarrow D^+C1$

$DIC3 \rightarrow DC3, DIC2 \rightarrow DC2, DIF \rightarrow DC1$

Diffusion

$[D^+] * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{d, \text{open}} * \text{Diffusion} ; (k_{d, \text{open}} = 100.5e-6 * \exp(-0.7 * V * F / R * T))$

$[D^+] * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{d, \text{Bursting, Open}} * \text{Diffusion} ; (k_{d, \text{Bursting, Open}} = 1.5012e-6 * \exp(-0.7 * V * F / R * T))$

$[D] * \text{Diffusion}$

$400e-6 * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{\text{neutral, on}}$

$5.4e-6 * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{\text{neutral, on}}$

$800e-6 * \text{Diffusion}$

α_{11}

α_{12}

β_{11}

β_{12}

$\alpha_{x1} = 4.4923e+3 * \alpha_x$

$\beta_{x1} = 2.7031e-01 * \beta_x$

$\alpha_{x2} = 1.4947e+01 * \alpha_x$

$\alpha_{13c} = 3.6811 * \alpha_{13}$

$\alpha_{13n} = 2.3570e+02 * \alpha_{13}$

$b_{13c} = (\beta_{13} * k_{\text{con}} * k_{\text{off}} * \alpha_{13c}) / (k_{\text{on}} * k_{\text{off}} * \alpha_{13})$

$b_{13n} = (\beta_{13} * k_{\text{c, on}} * \alpha_{13n} * k_{\text{off}}) / (k_{\text{c, off}} * \alpha_{13} * k_{\text{on}})$

$\beta_{x2} = (\beta_x * k_{\text{on}} * \alpha_{x2} * k_{\text{off}}) / (\alpha_x * k_{\text{on}} * k_{\text{off}})$

$\alpha_{22} = 6.8705e+04 * \alpha_2$

$\alpha_{_22} = 2.1182e+02 * \alpha_2$

$\beta_{22} = (\alpha_{13c} * \alpha_{22} * \alpha_{33}) / (\beta_{13c} * \beta_{33})$

$\beta_{_22} = (\alpha_{_33} * \alpha_{13n} * \alpha_{_22}) / (\beta_{_33} * \beta_{13n})$

$\beta_{33} = 1.7561e-01 * \beta_3$

$\beta_{_33} = 1.2197e-03 * \beta_3$

$\alpha_{33} = 4.0832e-02 * \alpha_3$

$\alpha_{_33} = (k_{\text{off}} * \alpha_3 * k_{\text{c, on}} * \beta_{_33}) / (k_{\text{on}} * k_{\text{c, off}} * \beta_3)$

$5500 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ms}^{-1}$

Online Table V

ΔKPQ Ranolazine

Transition rates (ms^{-1})

$k_{\text{on}} = k_{\text{closed, on}}$

$k_{\text{off}} = k_{\text{closed, off}}$

$k_{\text{bursting, on}} = k_{\text{closed bursting, on}}$

$k_{\text{bursting, off}} = k_{\text{closed bursting, off}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, on}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, off}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, inactivated, on}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, inactivated, off}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, closed, on}}$

$k_{\text{neutral, closed, off}}$

$D^+IC3 \rightarrow D^+IC2, D^+C3 \rightarrow D^+C2,$

$DIC3 \rightarrow DIC2, DC3 \rightarrow DC2$

$D^+IC2 \rightarrow D^+IF, D^+C2 \rightarrow D^+C1,$

$DIC2 \rightarrow DIF, DC2 \rightarrow DC1$

$D^+IC2 \rightarrow D^+IC3, D^+C2 \rightarrow D^+C3,$

$DIC2 \rightarrow DIC3, DC2 \rightarrow DC3$

$D^+IF \rightarrow D^+IC2, D^+C1 \rightarrow D^+C2,$

$DIF \rightarrow DIC2, DC1 \rightarrow DC2$

$D^+O \rightarrow D^+IS$

$D^+IS \rightarrow D^+O$

$DO \rightarrow DIS$

$D^+C1 \rightarrow D^+O$

$DC1 \rightarrow DO$

$D^+O \rightarrow D^+C1$

$DO \rightarrow DC1$

$DIS \rightarrow DO$

$D^+O \rightarrow D^+IF$

$DO \rightarrow DIF$

$D^+IF \rightarrow D^+O$

$DIF \rightarrow DO$

$D^+C3 \rightarrow D^+IC3, D^+C2 \rightarrow D^+IC2, D^+C1 \rightarrow D^+IF$

$DC3 \rightarrow DIC3, DC2 \rightarrow DIC2, DC1 \rightarrow DIF$

$D^+IC3 \rightarrow D^+C3, D^+IC2 \rightarrow D^+C2, D^+IF \rightarrow D^+C1$

$DIC3 \rightarrow DC3, DIC2 \rightarrow DC2, DIF \rightarrow DC1$

Diffusion

$[D^+] * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{d, \text{open}} * \text{Diffusion} ; (k_{d, \text{open}} = 83.11\text{e-}6 * \exp(-0.7 * V * F / R * T))$

$[D^+] * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{d, \text{Bursting, Open}} * \text{Diffusion} ; (k_{d, \text{Bursting, Open}} = 3.8367\text{e-}6 * \exp(-0.7 * V * F / R * T))$

$[D] * \text{Diffusion}$

$2.6479\text{e+}02\text{e-}6 * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{\text{neutral, on}};$

$19.034\text{e-}6 * \text{Diffusion}$

$k_{\text{neutral, on}};$

$61.842\text{e-}6 * \text{Diffusion}$

α_{11}

α_{12}

β_{11}

β_{12}

$\alpha_{x1} = 3.0028\text{e-}01 * \alpha_x$

$\beta_{x1} = 2.1775\text{e-}02 * \beta_x$

$\alpha_{x2} = 3.8814\text{e-}02 * \alpha_x$

$\alpha_{13c} = 4.7577\text{e-}01 * \alpha_{13}$

$\alpha_{13n} = 3.3694\text{e+}01 * \alpha_{13}$

$b_{13c} = (\beta_{13} * k_{\text{con}} * k_{\text{off}} * \alpha_{13c}) / (k_{\text{on}} * k_{\text{off}} * \alpha_{13})$

$b_{13n} = (\beta_{13} * k_{\text{c_on}} * \alpha_{13n} * k_{\text{off}}) / (k_{\text{c_off}} * \alpha_{13} * k_{\text{on}})$

$\beta_{x2} = (\beta_x * k_{\text{on}} * \alpha_{x2} * k_{\text{off}}) / (\alpha_x * k_{\text{on}} * k_{\text{off}})$

$\alpha_{22} = 8.9205\text{e+}01 * \alpha_2$

$\alpha_{_22} = 4.3865\text{e-}02 * \alpha_2$

$\beta_{22} = (\alpha_{13c} * \alpha_{22} * \alpha_{33}) / (\beta_{13c} * \beta_{33})$

$\beta_{_22} = (\alpha_{_33} * \alpha_{13n} * \alpha_{_22}) / (\beta_{_33} * \beta_{13n})$

$\beta_{33} = 3.4549\text{e-}04 * \beta_3$

$\beta_{_33} = 4.2894 * \beta_3$

$\alpha_{33} = 2.9425\text{e-}02 * \alpha_3$

$\alpha_{_33} = (k_{\text{off}} * \alpha_3 * k_{\text{c_on}} * \beta_{_33}) / (k_{\text{on}} * k_{\text{c_off}} * \beta_3)$

$5500 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ms}^{-1}$

Simulation of I_{Kr} Blockade

To simulate the effects of ranolazine on I_{Kr} current, we decreased the peak conductance, G_{IKr} in a concentration dependent fashion using a concentration response relationship with a Hill coefficient of 1 ($n = 1$) as follows:

$$G_{IKr} = G_{IKr,max} * \left(\frac{1}{1 + (Drug / IC_{50})^n} \right)$$

where $G_{IKr,max}$ is the nominal conductance value from the given human ventricular myocyte model used (O'Hara-Rudy⁸, ten Tusscher⁹, or Grandi-Bers¹⁰) and IC_{50} is the concentration of drug that produces a 50% inhibition of I_{Kr} current.

Cellular simulations

The model formulation for virtual (O'Hara-Rudy⁸, ten Tusscher⁹, or Grandi-Bers¹⁰ with Soltis-Saucerman model¹⁹) epicardial cells was used with the published Na^+ channel replaced with the model described here. State probabilities in the Markov model of the Na^+ channel were computed by an implicit Trapezoidal numerical method. The numerical method for updating the voltage was forward Euler.

The Soltis-Saucerman model of CaMKII and PKA signaling pathways¹⁹ was merged with the Grandi-Bers human model¹⁰. We used the Soltis-Saucerman model as a template to replace each ionic current with the Grandi-Bers model except for the L-type calcium channels (LTCC, the seven-state Markov model). We then adjusted the Ca^{2+} current amplitude in the Grand-Bers model to match current experimental human data²⁰ and G_{Kr} was increased by 3 fold. We also replaced the nominal Na^+ channel model with our Na^+ drug-channel models as described above. Isoproterenol was set to 0 in mutant simulations (Figure 4).

For the O'Hara-Rudy ΔKPQ model, we made a heterozygote mutant (50% mutant Na^+ channels, 50% WT Na^+ channels), and included 0.5% late Na^+ current, as this model easily produced EADs and exhibited repolarization failure with 1% late Na^+ current. For the ten Tusscher ΔKPQ model, we made a heterozygote with 1% late Na^+ current. The Grand-Bers ΔKPQ model was a heterozygote with 1% late Na^+ current.

One-dimensional simulations

One-dimensional simulations were modified with experimental transmural data from²¹ which show a linear decrease in APD from endocardium to epicardium. The maximal conductance G_{Ks} was monotonically increased from 0.15 at the endocardium (cell 1) to 0.30 at the epicardium (cell 165). Cells 1 – 40 were endocaridal, and cells 41 – 165 were epicardial, and utilized the nominal values of G_{to} of ten Tusscher⁹. These ionic conductances gave an endocaridal APD of 379 ms, an epicaridal APD of 335 ms, and a QTc of 391.75 ms (at 1Hz pacing), consistent with experimental optical imaging data^{21, 22}. For O'Hara-Rudy⁸ and Grandi-Bers¹⁰ model without β -adrenergic stimulation, the maximal conductance G_{Kr} was monotonically increased from 0.046 and 0.03 at the endocardium (cell 1) to 0.0598 and 0.035 at the epicardium (cell 165), respectively. Cells 1 – 40 were endocaridal, and cells 41 – 165 were epicardial. These ionic conductances gave an endocaridal APD of 268 ms in O'Hara and 355 ms in Grandi model, an epicaridal APD of 212 ms in O'Hara and 330 ms in Grandi model, and a QTc of 300 ms in O'Hara and 360 ms in Grandi model (at 1Hz pacing).

A 165-cell cable was unstimulated for 10 minutes without drug. Drug was then “applied” and cells paced (-250 pA/pF for 1 ms) for 500 beats at a given pacing cycle length and drug concentration. The numerical method was forward Euler.

Pseudo ECG computation

Extracellular unipolar potentials (Φ_E) generated by the fiber in an extensive medium of conductivity σ_e , were computed from the transmembrane potential V_m using the integral expression as in Plonsey and Barr²³ and Gima and Rudy²⁴:

$$\Phi_E(x', y', z') = \frac{a^2 \sigma_i}{4 \sigma_e} \int (-\nabla V_m) \cdot \left[\nabla \frac{1}{r} \right] dx$$

$$r = \left[(x - x')^2 + (y - y')^2 + (z - z')^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

where ∇V_m is the spatial gradient of V_m , a is the radius of the fiber, σ_i is the intracellular conductivity, and r is the distance from a source point (x, y , or, z) to a field point (x', y' , or, z'). Φ_E was computed at an electrode site 2.0 cm away from the distal end along the fiber axis²⁵.

Cell Expression and Electrophysiology of the Δ KPQ mutation

Site-directed mutagenesis was done on $\text{Na}_v1.5$ in pcDNA3.1 using the Quik Change site-directed mutagenesis kit (Stratagene). Whole cell recordings were made on Human Embryonic Kidney (HEK) 293 cells expressing WT and mutant $\text{Na}_v1.5$ channels along with $\text{h}\beta 1$ subunits (Lipofectamine, Invitrogen).

Patch clamp procedures were used with the following internal solution (in mM): 50 aspartic acid, 60 CsCl, 5 Na2ATP, 11 EGTA, 10 HEPES, 4.27 CaCl₂ (resulting in a final $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]_i$ of 100 nM), and 1 MgCl₂, pH 7.4 adjusted with CsOH. The external solutions for measurement of all Na^+ channel activity contained (in mM): 130 NaCl, 2 CaCl₂, 5 CsCl, 1.2 MgCl₂, 10 HEPES, and 5 glucose, pH 7.4 adjusted with NaOH.

TTX was purchased from Ascent Scientific (UK). Ranolazine was purchased from Sigma Aldrich (St. Louis, MO). Drugs were applied locally to the outside of the cell being patched via homemade perfusion system using microfluidic valves (Lee Co, Essex, CT). Currents were measured at room temperature (~23 °C). Pipettes were borosilicate from VWR (West Chester, PA). Typical pipette resistance was between 1.5 and 3 M Ω . After whole cell configuration is achieved only cells with access resistance less than 7 M Ω are recorded. Membrane currents were measured with Axopatch 200B amplifiers (Axon Instruments, Foster City, CA). Capacitance and series resistance compensation were carried out using analog techniques according to the amplifier manufacturer (Axon Instruments, Foster City, CA). Only cells with access resistance and peak current that, after compensation, have voltage errors less than 5 mV are used for analysis. PClamp8 (Axon Instruments) was used for data acquisition and initial analysis. Analysis was carried out in Excel (Microsoft), Origin 7.0 (Microcal Software, Northampton, MA), and programs written in Matlab (The Mathworks, Natick, MA). Analyzed data are shown as mean \pm S.E.M. Statistical significance was tested using Student's t test; $p < 0.05$ was considered statistically significant.

Simulation of human heart failure

Cell model

The Grandi-Bers model with Soltis-Saucerman β -adrenergic signaling pathway (see above) was used for heart failure simulations. The epicardial cell was paced to 1060 seconds with 2 Hz pacing (BCL 500), and spontaneous activity was observed after stimulus removal.

CaMKII and PKA regulation

For the CaMKII and PKA phosphorylation, we added the regulation on I_{Ks} , LTCC and RyR as in Soltis-Saucerman¹⁹, highlighting the following regulatory pathways: (1) I_{Ks} is regulated by PKA phosphorylation; (2) I_{CaL} and RyR opening are modulated by CaMKII and PKA; (3) RyR leak is CaMKII dependent; (4) CaMKII and PKA phosphorylate PLB that alternate SERCA fluxes; (5) the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator Cl^- current regulated by PKA, and (6) Troponin I (TnI) is regulated by PKA. Here we also included (7) the effect of PKA to phosphorylate PLM and increase NKA activity in the model²⁶.

Current density changes in heart failure

To simulate human heart failure (HF), we modified the current density changes in HF shown in Online Table VI, below. In addition, CaMKII expression is increased in failing human myocardium²⁷. We simulated CaMKII overexpression (CaMKII-OE) as in Soltis-Saucerman¹⁹. (1) Increased $I_{to,slow}$ amplitude and I_{to} recovery from inactivation by CaMKII-OE (See¹⁹ for detailed equations); and (2) CaMKII-OE effects has been shown to shift I_{Na} to the hyperpolarizing direction, delay recovery from inactivation. To simulated CaMKII-OE effects alterations to I_{Na} : rate constant β_3 was increased by 2.4-fold.

Online Table VI: Current density changes induced in the failing heart

Ionic current	Percentage Change	Species	References
I_{NaL}	10x <i>increase</i> (0.1% → 1%)	Human	28
$I_{to,fast}$	36% <i>decrease</i>	Human	29
I_{K1}	25% <i>decrease</i>	Human	30, 31
SERCA	36% <i>decrease</i>	Human	32
k_{leak} (SR leak)	3.5-fold <i>increase</i>	Rabbit	33
$I_{Na, leak}^*$	16-fold <i>increase</i>	Rabbit	34
I_{NaK} (Na^+/K^+ -ATPase)*	10 - 42% <i>decrease</i>	Human	35-37

*Note: Models of modified I_{NaK} and $I_{Na, background}$ currents are set within the range of experimental data and parameter space is analyzed in Figures 7 and 8.

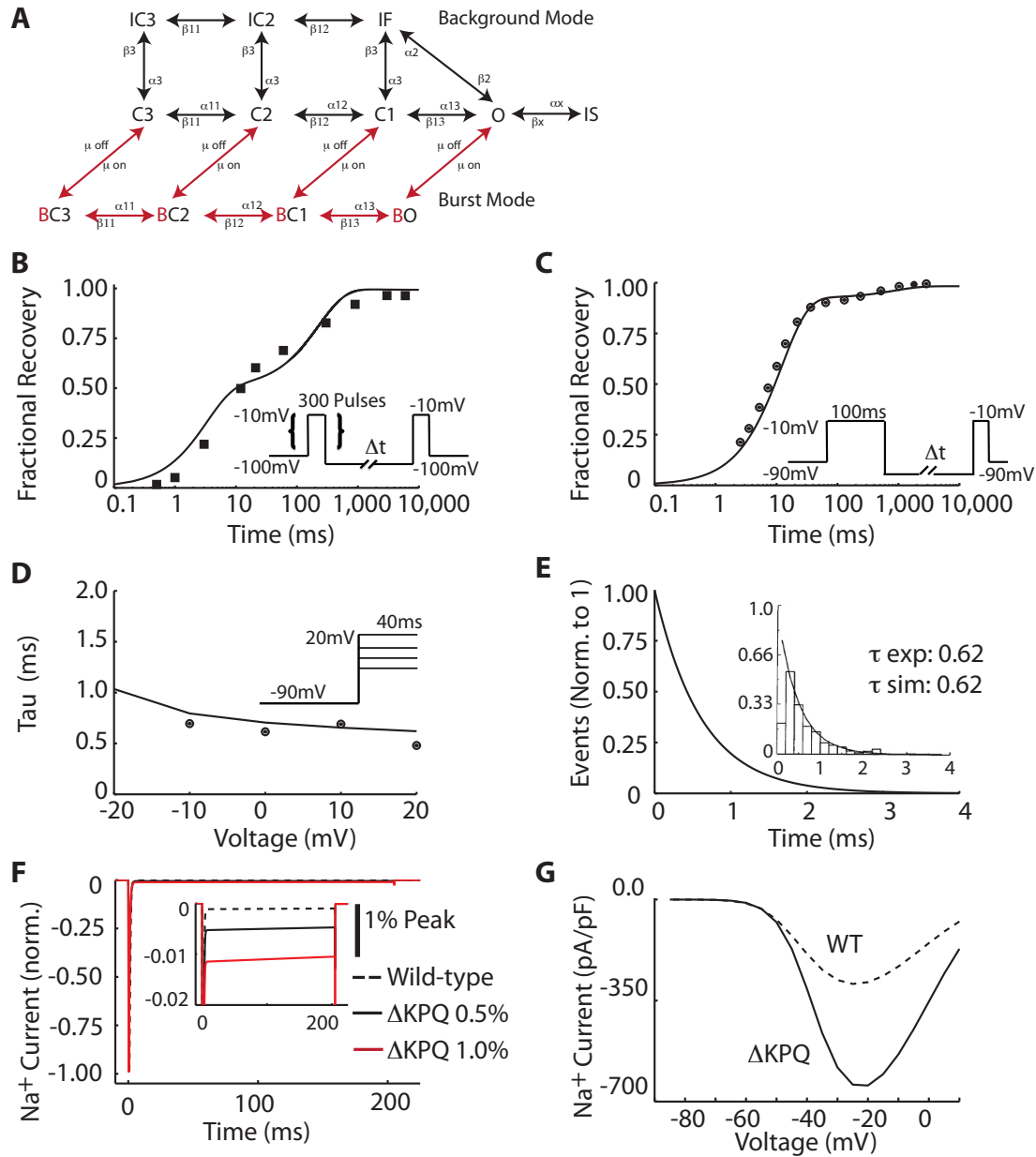
SR – sarcoplasmic reticulum

Simulation of the drug interaction with Na^+ leak current ($I_{Na,Leak}$)

To simulate the effects of drugs on Na^+ leak current during heart failure, we decreased the peak conductance of $I_{Na,Leak}$ in a concentration-dependent manner using a concentration response relationship with a Hill coefficient (n) as follows:

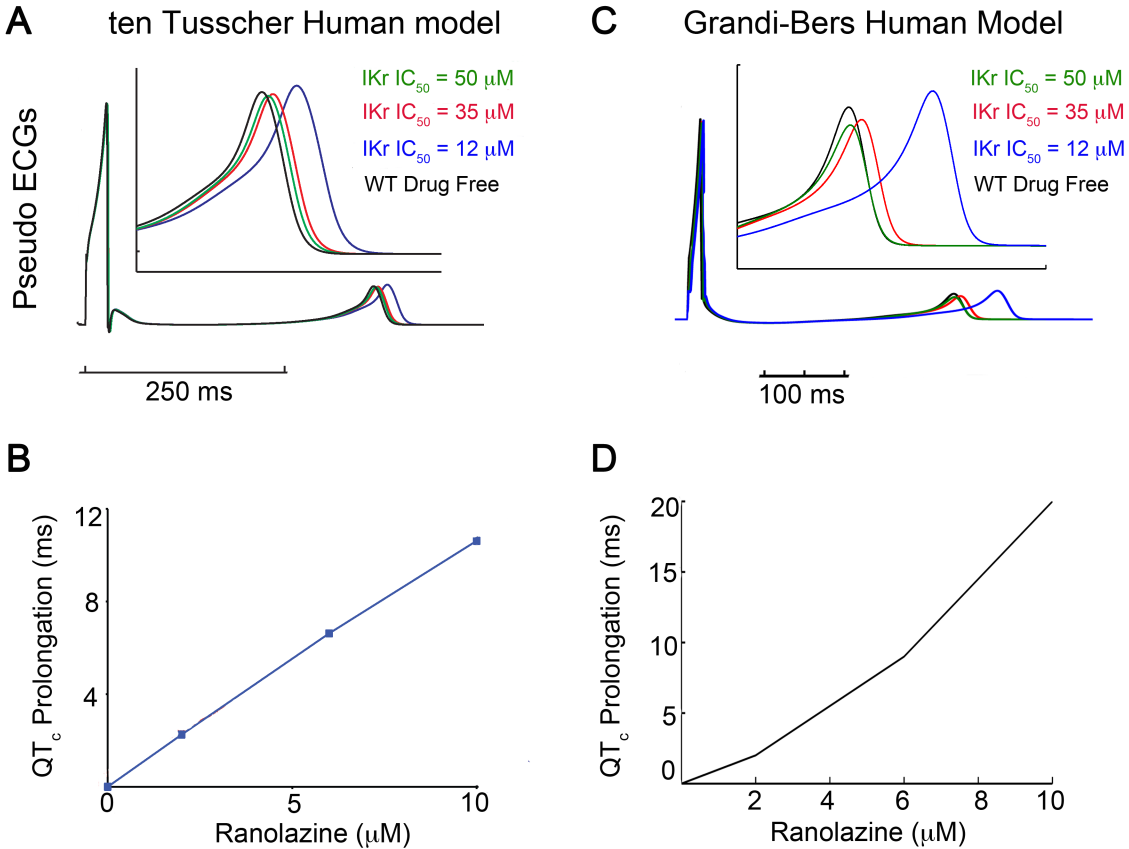
$$G_{Na,Leak} = G_{Na,Leak,max} * \left(\frac{1}{1 + (Drug/IC_{50})^n} \right)$$

where $G_{Na,Leak,max}$ is the nominal conductance from the Grandi model, and IC_{50} corresponds to the sensitivity of the channels to ranolazine assuming peak current affinity (165.2 μM , $n = 1.6$), or late current affinity (6 μM , $n = 1$)¹². In Online Figure VII and VIII, we assume peak current affinity, and in Figure 7, 8, Online Figure V and VI, we assume late current affinity.



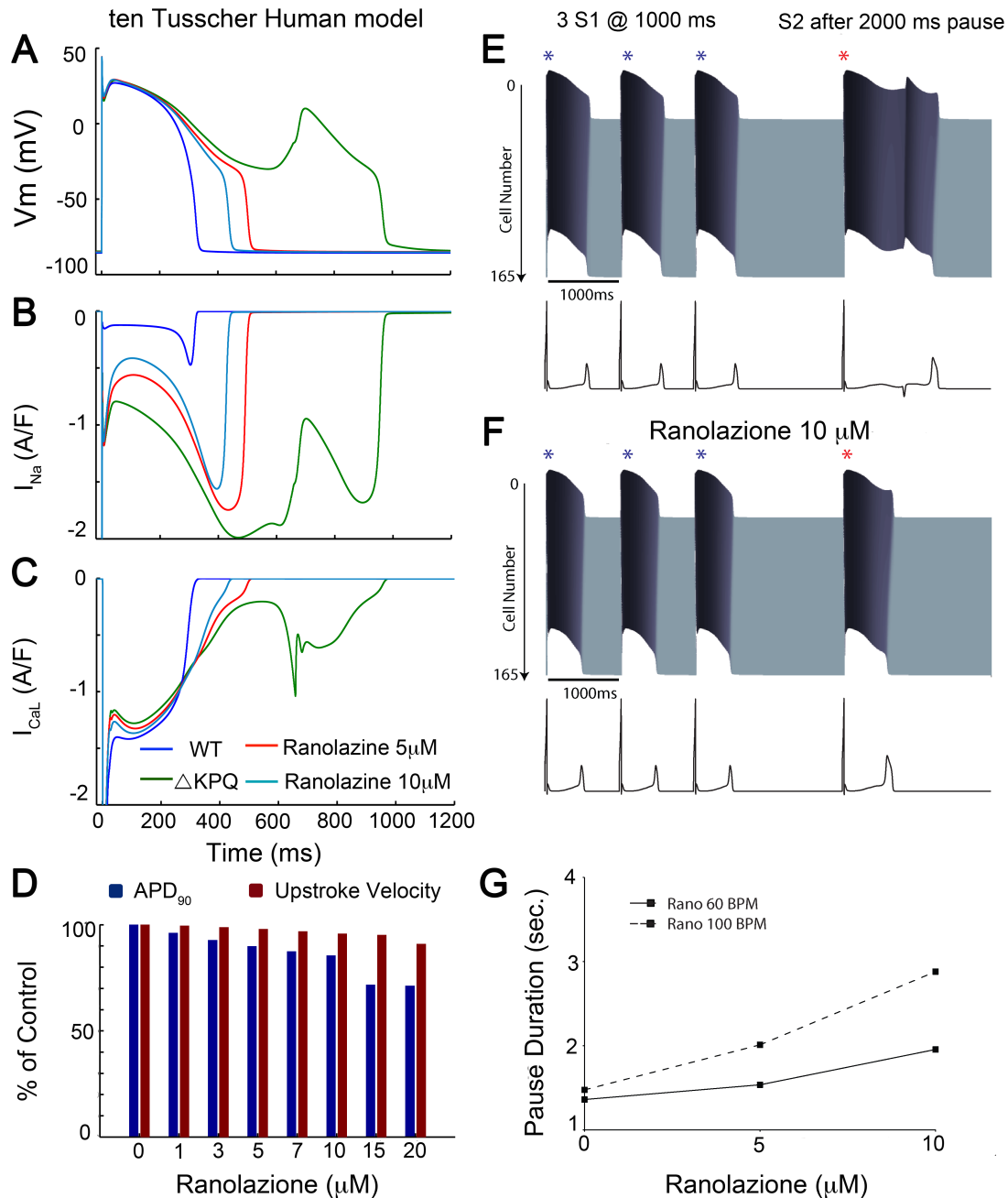
Online Figure I: Δ KPQ mutant Na^+ channel kinetics.

(A) Schematic of the bursting states. In B – D, the points are experiment, lines are simulation. (B) Recovery from UDB induced by trains of 100 pulses (-10 mV for 25 ms at 25 Hz) from -100 mV in drug free conditions. Test pulses (-10 mV) were after variable recovery intervals at -100 mV. Currents were normalized to tonic block. (C) Recovery from inactivation induced by a depolarizing pulse (-10 mV for 100 ms) from -90 mV. Test pulses (-10 mV) were after variable recovery intervals at -90 mV⁶. (D) Time constant of inactivation, induced from a holding potential of -100 mV to indicated voltages⁴. (E) Mean open time at -30 mV⁴. (F) Optimization of entry and egress from the bursting mode (μ_1 and μ_2 respectively) to induce a 0.5% (black) or 1% (red) persistent inward Na^+ current. (G) Current – voltage relationship indicating Δ KPQ has nearly double current density as compared to WT⁴.



Online Figure II: Consideration of ranolazine metabolites for I_{Kr} inhibition predicts clinical QTc prolongation.

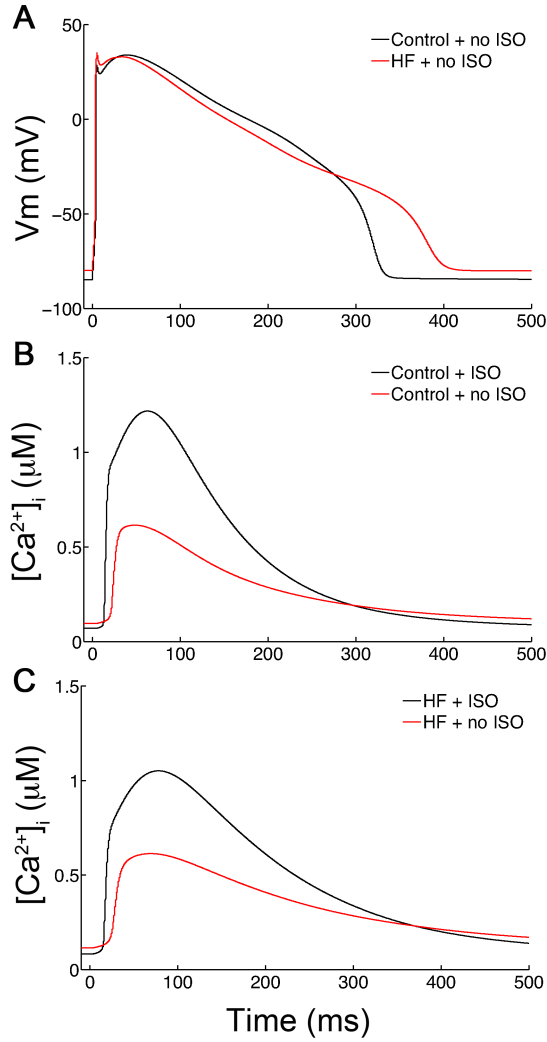
Shown in (A) are computed ECGs of a 165-cell cardiac fiber with 6 μM ranolazine (therapeutic concentration), and varying values for IC_{50} of I_{Kr} inhibition (see **Supplementary Information**). I_{Kr} inhibition at $IC_{50} = 50 \mu M$ (green) produces a 2.5 ms QTc prolongation; I_{Kr} inhibition at $IC_{50} = 12 \mu M$ (blue) prolongs QTc by 20.3 ms; I_{Kr} inhibition at $IC_{50} = 35 \mu M$ (red) prolongs QTc by 5.45 ms. (B) Concentration-dependent ΔQT_c is approximately linear over the therapeutic range of ranolazine. See text for details. (C) and (D) are for the Grandi-Bers human model: QT prolongation with $IC_{50} = 12 \mu M$, 35 μM , and 50 μM are 59 ms, 8 ms, and 1 ms, respectively.



Online Figure III: Effects of a pause on incident EADs generated in the subsequent beat for the ten Tusscher human ventricular myocyte model.

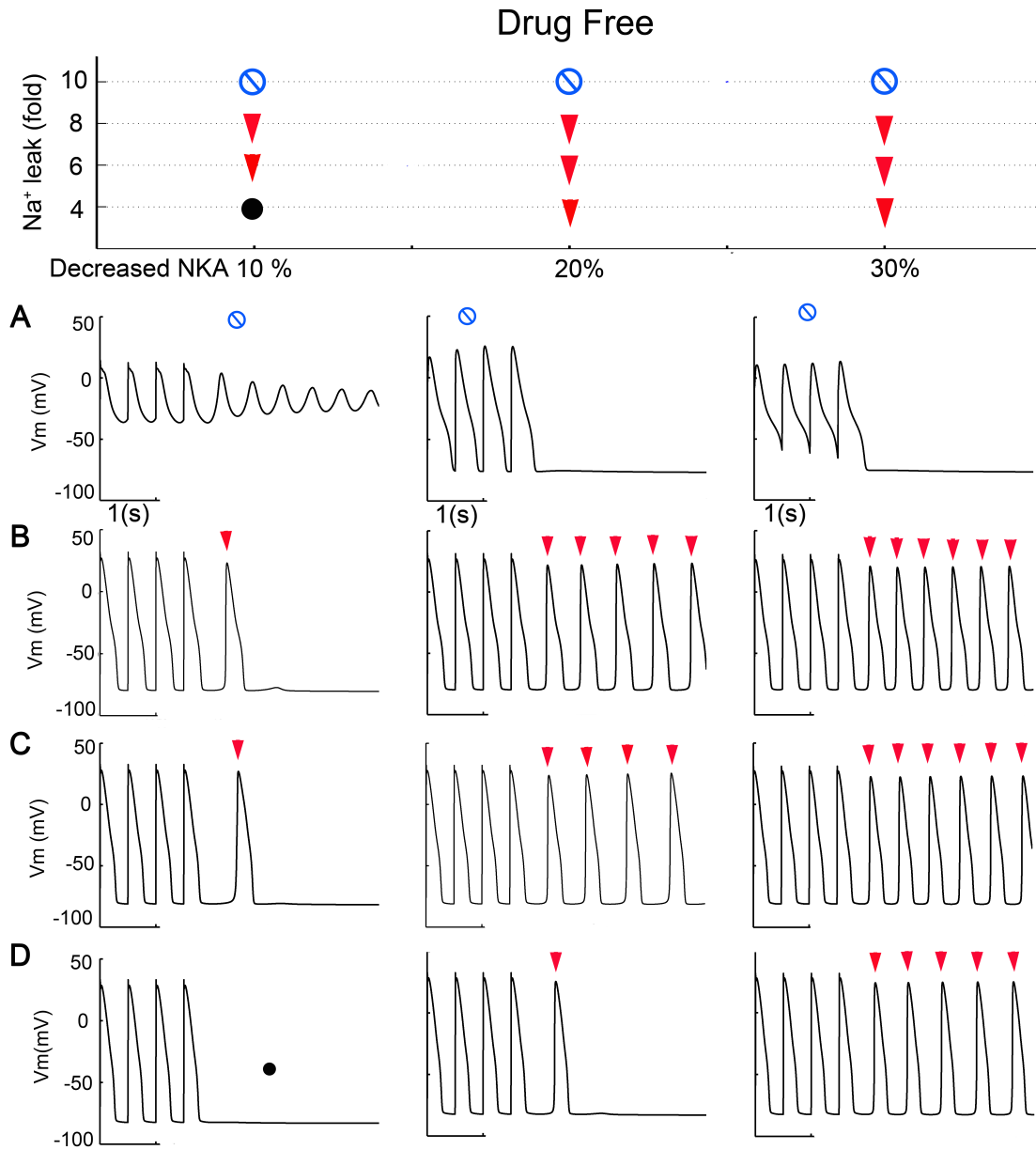
The effects of the Δ KPQ mutation are shown for the ten Tusscher human ventricular myocyte model, and yields qualitatively similar results to the O'Hara Rudy and the Grandi-Bers models shown in Figure 4. Panel (A) depicts cellular APs, (B) depicts Na^+ currents (peak off scale), and (C) depicts the L-type Ca^{2+} currents (peak off scale). In all three models, low (5 μ M), and high (10 μ M) ranolazine progressively shortens the APD but fails to fully normalize to WT (blue line). Panel (D) depicts concentration dependent effects of ranolazine on action potential duration (APD) and upstroke velocity (UV) at BCL 1000. A comparison to Figure 4 reveals that the O'Hara Rudy and Grandi-Bers models are much more effective at normalizing the APD in the

highest concentrations tested. For all three models, UV remains robust with high therapeutic concentrations of drug. Panels (E-G) are the tissue level simulations. Panel (E) shows a space-time plot of 3 S1 beats at BCL1000 (after steady state pacing – 500 beats) in the absence of drug. A 2000 ms pause, followed by an S2 stimulus elicits an EAD throughout the 165-cell cardiac fiber. With pretreatment of 10 μ M ranolazine (F), the S2 stimulus fails to elicit an EAD throughout the fiber and monotonic repolarization is restored. For (E) and (F), x-axis is time, y-axis is cell number, z-axis is voltage. A computed ECG is underneath the space-time plot. (G) The pause necessary to elicit an EAD throughout a 165-cell cardiac fiber with assessed in 5 ms increments for two pacing cycles (60 BPM – solid line, 100 BPM – dotted line) with 10 μ M ranolazine after steady state pacing at the given cycle length (500 beats).

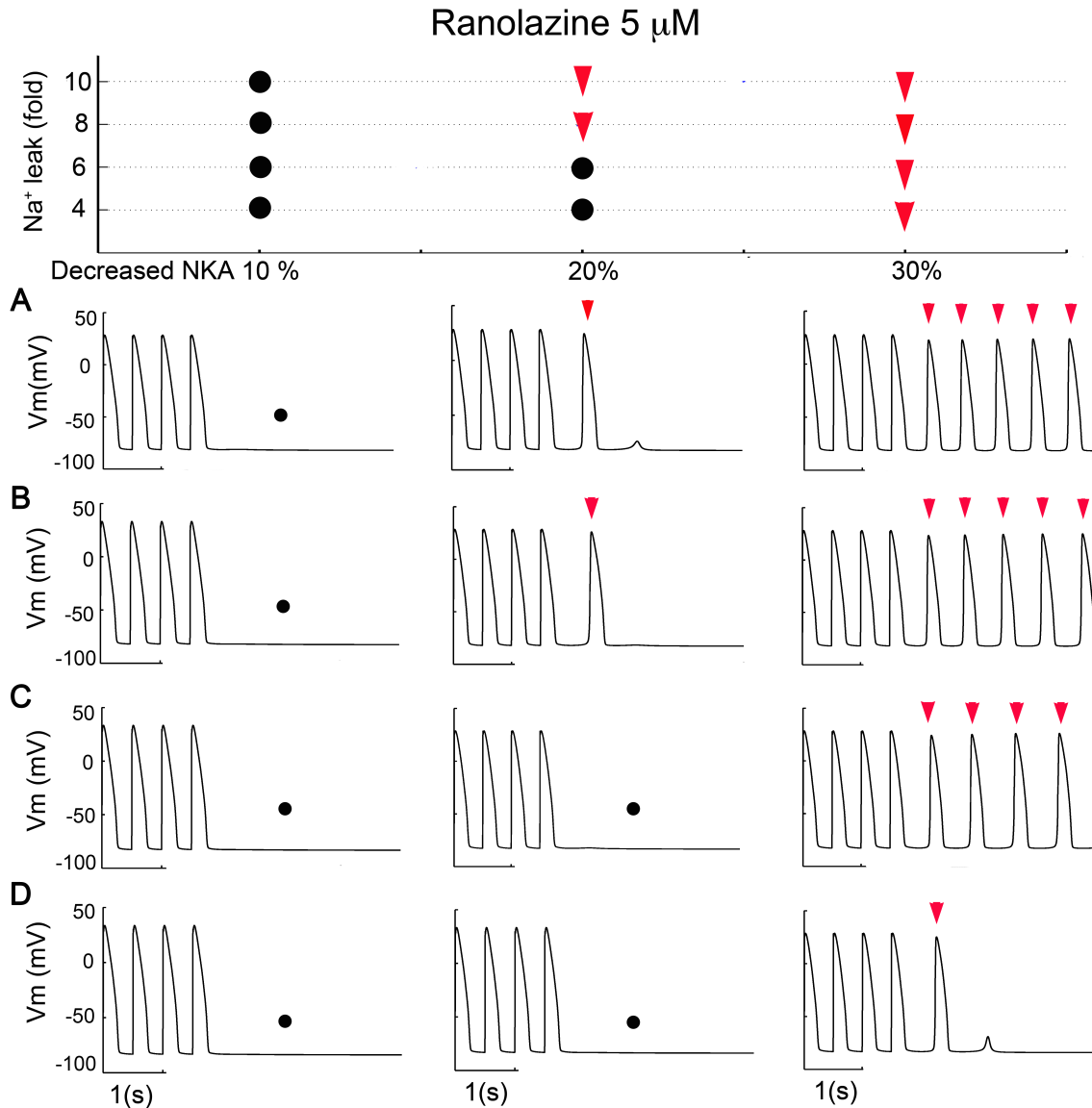


Online Figure IV: Comparison of Ca^{2+} transient in control and HF conditions

Shown in (A) are cellular APs in the control (black) and heart failure (HF condition same as in Figure 6 - red) at BCL 1000 ms without β -adrenergic stimulation. (B) Intracellular Ca^{2+} concentration with 1 μM (black) and 0 μM isoproterenol applications (red) in control case. (C) In the heart failure model, intracellular Ca^{2+} concentration with 1 μM (black) and 0 μM isoproterenol applications (red) in control case.

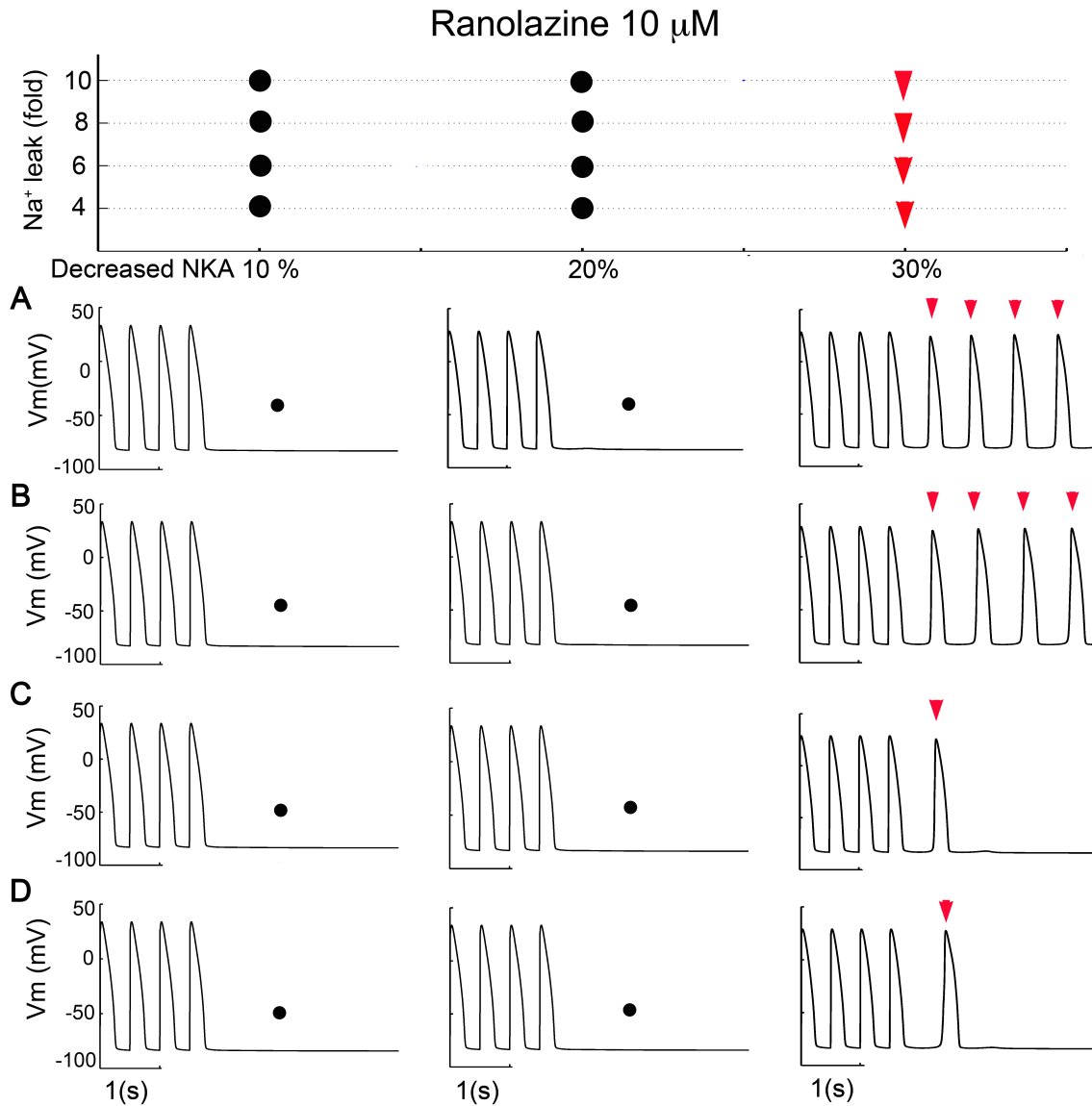


Online Figure V: Summary data of DAD formation in the drug-free conditions of Figure 7. Action potentials shown for each condition in Figure 7, drug free. Row (A) indicates 10-fold Na^+ leak, (B) indicates 8-fold Na^+ leak, (C) indicates 6-fold Na^+ leak, and (D) indicates 4-fold Na^+ leak. Column 1 corresponds to 10% decreased NKA, column 2 is 20% decrease, and column 3 is 30% decrease. As in Figure 7, filled circles indicate absence of DADs, upside-down red triangles indicate presence of DADs, and stop signs (\odot) indicate repolarization failure.



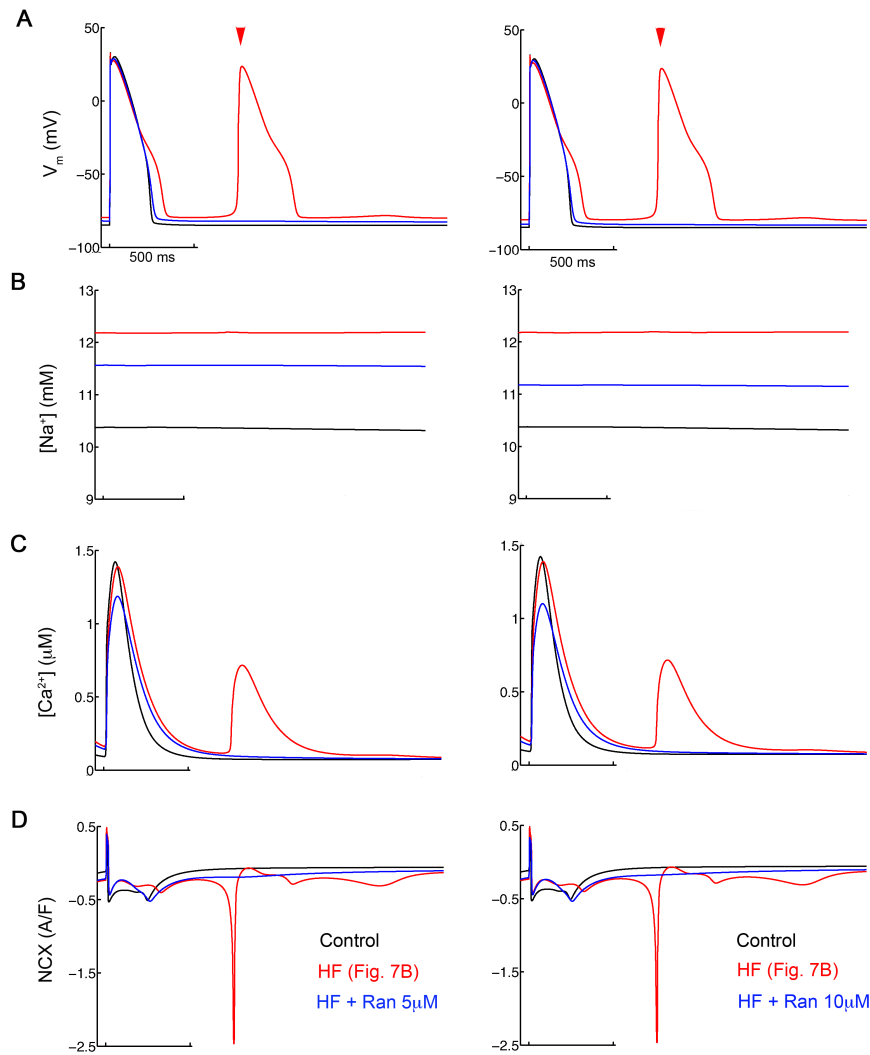
Online Figure VI: DAD abolishment with ranolazine 5 μ M when Na⁺ leak current is sensitive at an affinity equivalent to late Na⁺ current blockade.

Summary data and expanded AP waveforms assuming that ranolazine affinity is equivalent to late current affinity ($IC_{50} = 6 \mu$ M – Figure 7). Row (A) indicates 10-fold Na⁺ leak, (B) indicates 8-fold Na⁺ leak, (C) indicates 6-fold Na⁺ leak, and (D) indicates 4-fold Na⁺ leak. Column 1 corresponds to 10% decreased NKA, column 2 is 20% decrease, and column 3 is 30% decrease. Filled black circles (●) indicate absence of DADs, upside down red triangles indicate presence of DADs. See **Supplementary Information** for details on calculation of Na⁺ leak current blockade.



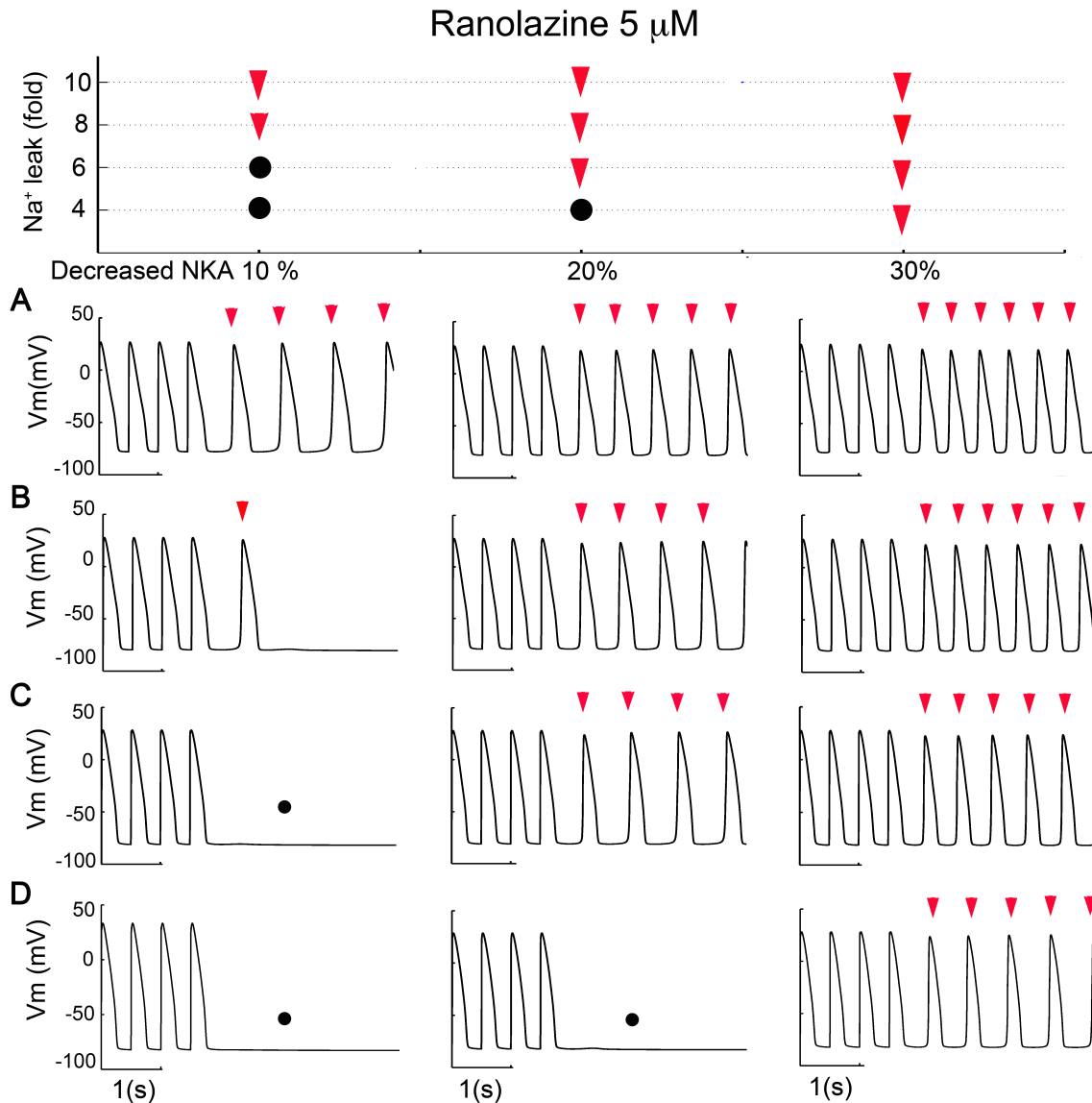
Online Figure VII: DAD abolishment with ranolazine 10 μ M when Na⁺ leak current is sensitive at an affinity equivalent to late Na⁺ current blockade.

Summary data and expanded AP waveforms assuming that ranolazine affinity is equivalent to late current affinity ($IC_{50} = 6 \mu$ M – Figure 7). Row (A) indicates 10-fold Na⁺ leak, (B) indicates 8-fold Na⁺ leak, (C) indicates 6-fold Na⁺ leak, and (D) indicates 4-fold Na⁺ leak. Column 1 corresponds to 10% decreased NKA, column 2 is 20% decrease, and column 3 is 30% decrease. As expected, with ranolazine 10 μ M, more DADs are abolished, compared to low-dose drug (Figure 7 and Online figure 5). Filled black circles (•) indicate absence of DADs, upside down red triangles indicate presence of DADs. See **Supplementary Information** for details on calculation of Na⁺ leak current blockade.



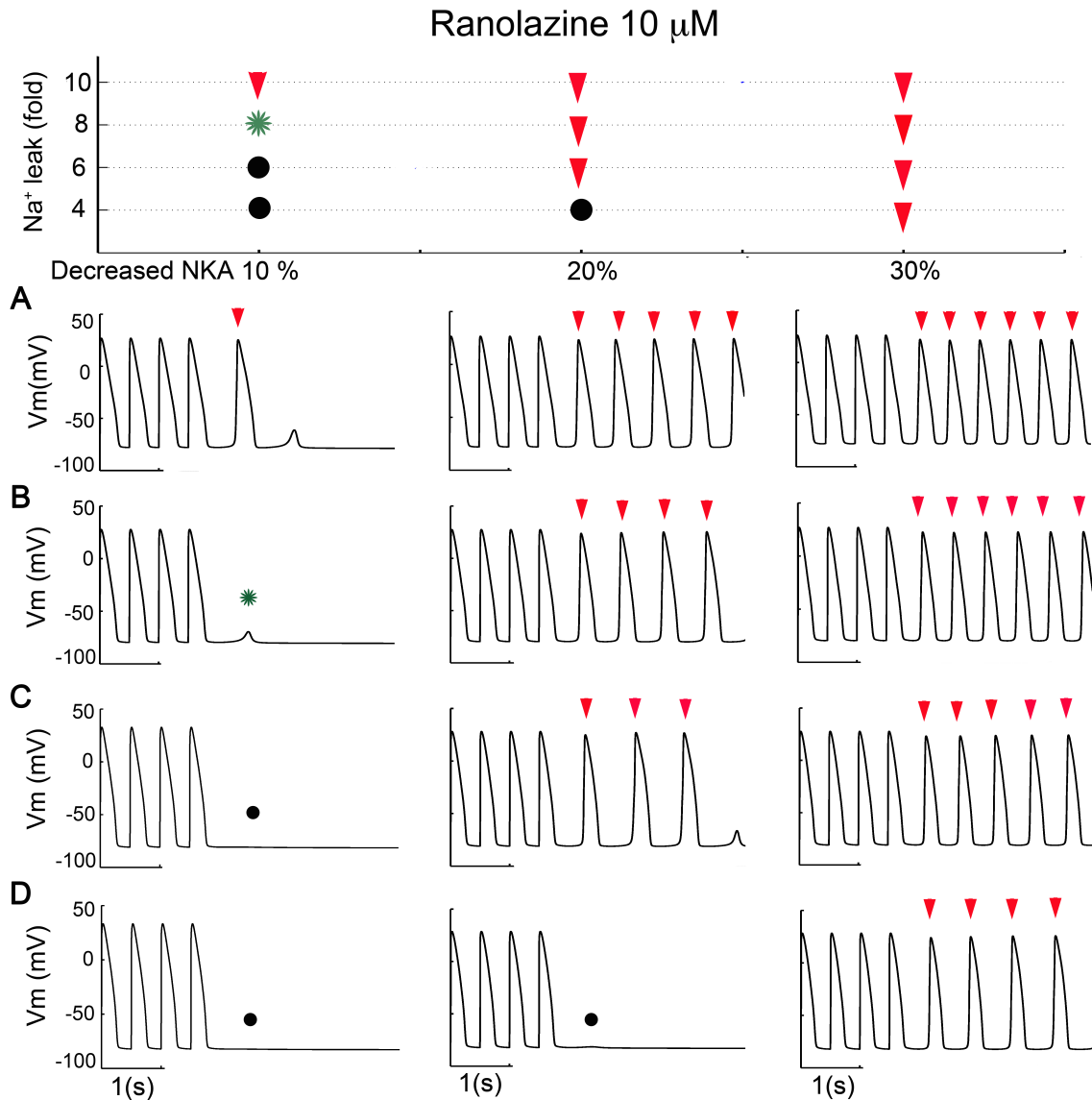
Online Figure VIII: Ionic mechanisms of suppression of triggered activity with application of ranolazine in a HF condition

The HF model (condition from Figure 7B shown here: 10% decreased NKA, 8-fold increased $I_{Na,Leak}$) shown in the red traces displays many characteristic features of heart failure phenotypes found in the literature including (A) increased APD, presence of triggered beats (in this case, DAD – red arrowhead) and diastolic depolarization of the resting membrane potential, (B) an increased Na^+ load, (C) a slight decreased Ca^{2+} transient and blunted decay, and (D) large forward mode NCX generated as a result of increased Ca^{2+} loading. This Ca^{2+} extrusion process depolarizes the membrane potential and leads to I_{Na} activation and a triggered beat. Application of low (5 μM , blue, left column) and high (10 μM , blue, right column) dose ranolazine partly normalizes $[Na^+]_i$ (row B) and forward mode NCX (row D), abolishes the spontaneous Ca^{2+} transient (row C), triggered AP (row A), and partially restores the resting membrane potential, thus elevating the threshold for triggered diastolic events. Many of these results were recently confirmed in a hypertrophic cardiomyopathy experimental model³⁸; application of ranolazine shortened the AP, reduced the occurrence of triggered activity, reduced the Ca^{2+} transient and accelerated its decay, and hyperpolarized the resting membrane potential.



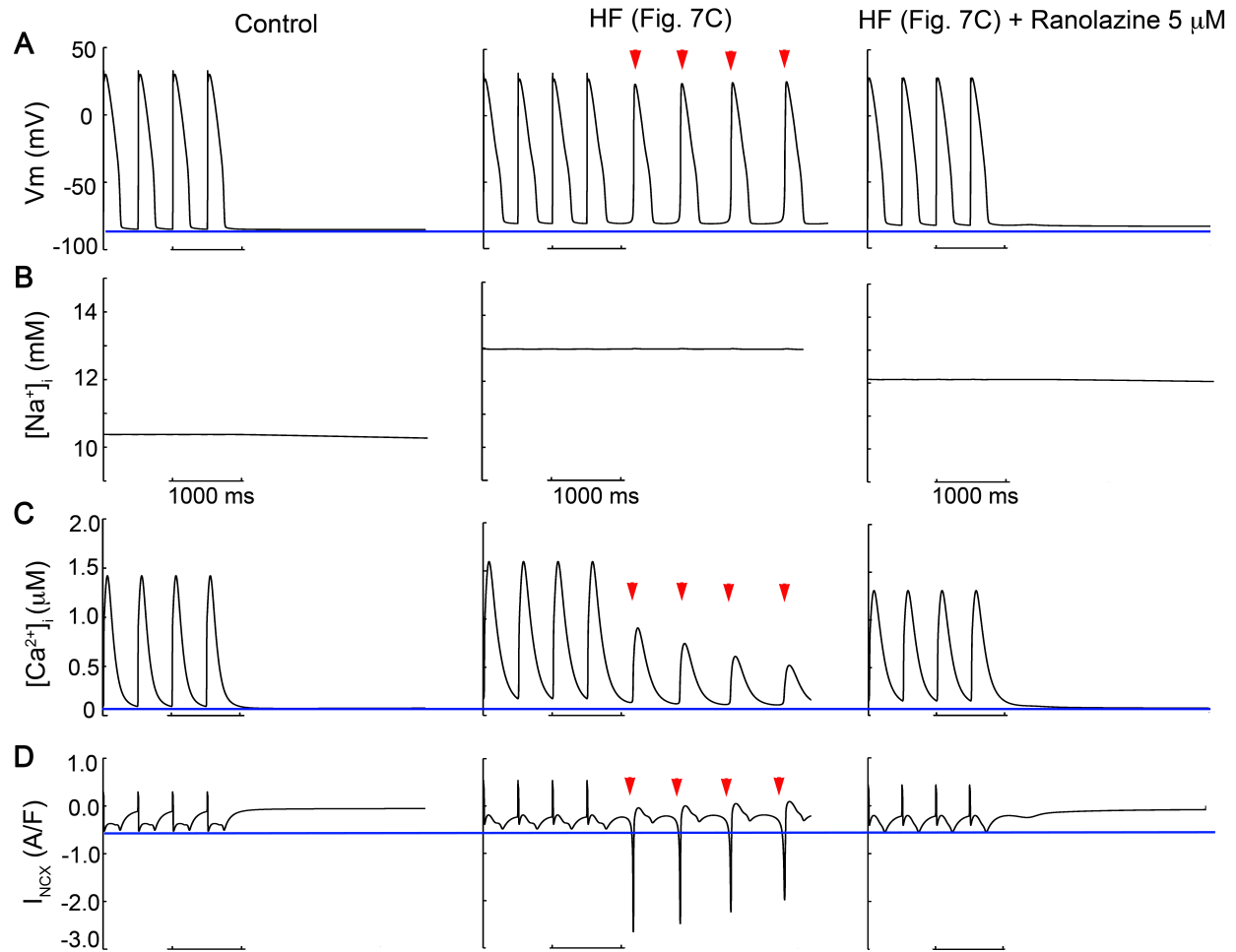
Online Figure IX: DAD abolishment with ranolazine 5 μM when Na⁺ leak current is sensitive at an affinity equivalent to *peak* Na⁺ current blockade.

Because no data exists for the affinity of ranolazine to the Na⁺ leak current, we show both summary data assuming that ranolazine affinity is equivalent to late current affinity ($\text{IC}_{50} = 6 \mu\text{M}$ – Figure 7, Online Figures VI – VIII), and here, where ranolazine affinity is assumed equivalent to peak current affinity ($\text{IC}_{50} = 165.2 \mu\text{M}$). As expected, with Na⁺ leak current affinity equivalent to peak current affinity (165.2 μM), fewer DADs are abolished, given the same concentration of ranolazine. Row (A) indicates 10-fold Na⁺ leak, (B) indicates 8-fold Na⁺ leak, (C) indicates 6-fold Na⁺ leak, and (D) indicates 4-fold Na⁺ leak. Column 1 corresponds to 10% decreased NKA, column 2 is 20% decrease, and column 3 is 30% decrease. Filled black circles (•) indicate absence of DADs, upside down red triangles indicate presence of DADs. See **Supplementary Information** for details on calculation of Na⁺ leak current blockade.



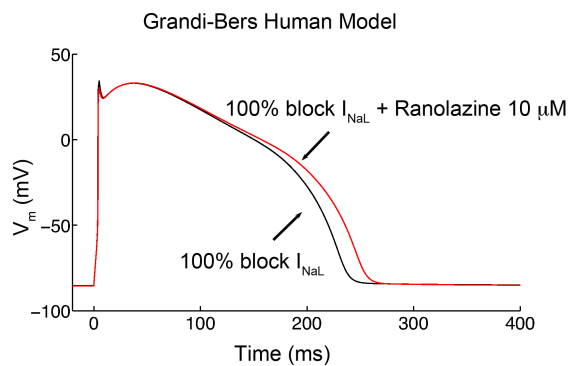
Online Figure X: DAD abolishment with ranolazine 10 μ M when Na⁺ leak current is sensitive at an affinity equivalent to peak Na⁺ current blockade.

Here, we show the same analysis as in Online Figure VII where ranolazine affinity is assumed equivalent to peak current affinity ($IC_{50} = 165.2 \mu$ M), but with high dose (10 μ M) ranolazine. Row (A) indicates 10-fold Na⁺ leak, (B) indicates 8-fold Na⁺ leak, (C) indicates 6-fold Na⁺ leak, and (D) indicates 4-fold Na⁺ leak. Column 1 corresponds to 10% decreased NKA, column 2 is 20% decrease, and column 3 is 30% decrease. Filled black circles (•) indicate absence of DADs, upside down red triangles indicate presence of DADs, and green asterisk indicates subthreshold DAD. See **Supplementary Information** for details on calculation of Na⁺ leak current blockade.



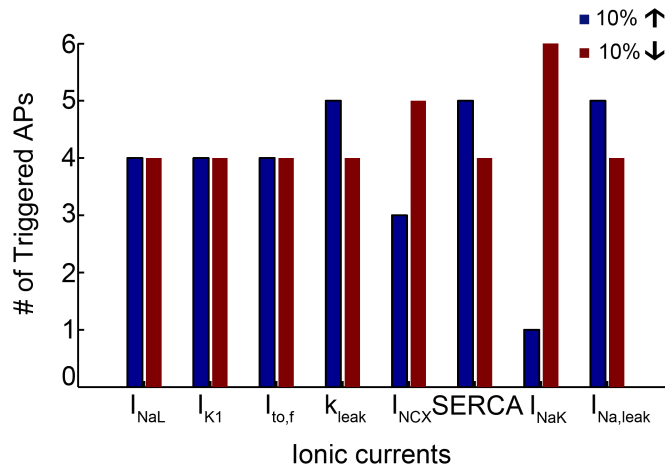
Online Figure XI: Intracellular ion concentrations and expanded analysis for case in Figure 7C (20% decrease NKA, 6-fold increase in Na^+ leak).

Shown in row (A) are cellular APs, (B) intracellular Na^+ concentration, (C) intracellular Ca^{2+} concentration, and (D) $\text{Na}^+/\text{Ca}^{2+}$ exchange current. Column 1 WT drug-free, column 2 depicts 20% decrease NKA, 6-fold increased Na^+ leak (case C from Figure 7), and columns 3 is the same condition with 5 μM ranolazine. The arrowheads indicate non-paced (DAD) beats. As in Figure 7C, only low dose (5 μM) ranolazine is required to abolish the non-paced DAD beat shown in column 2.



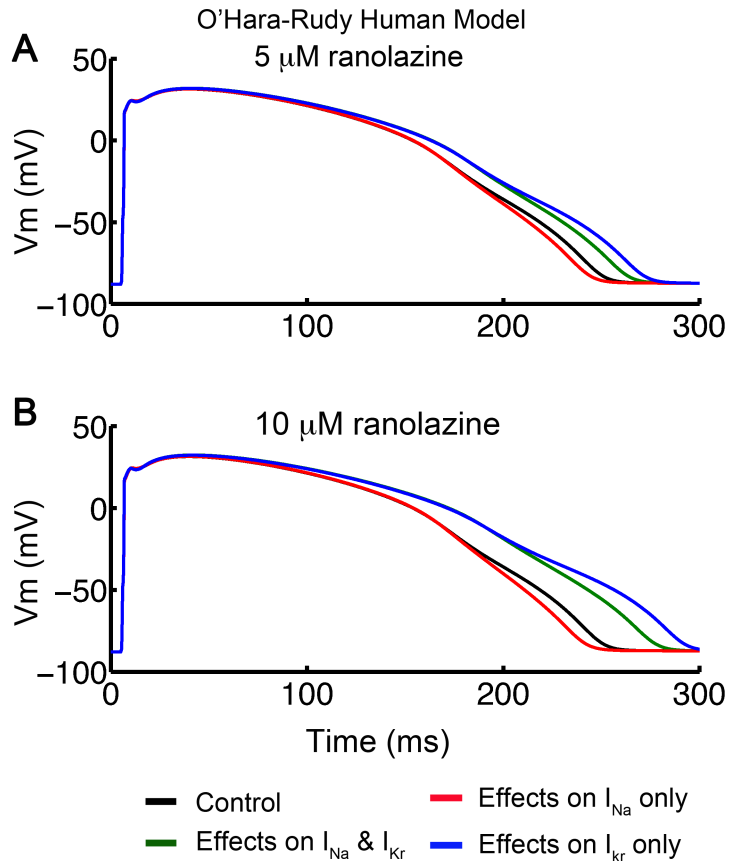
Online Figure XII: Ranolazine application in the absence of late Na^+ current

Action potential (AP) with 100% block of late sodium current (black) and the same condition with ranolazine 10 μ M (red) at 1Hz pacing frequencies.



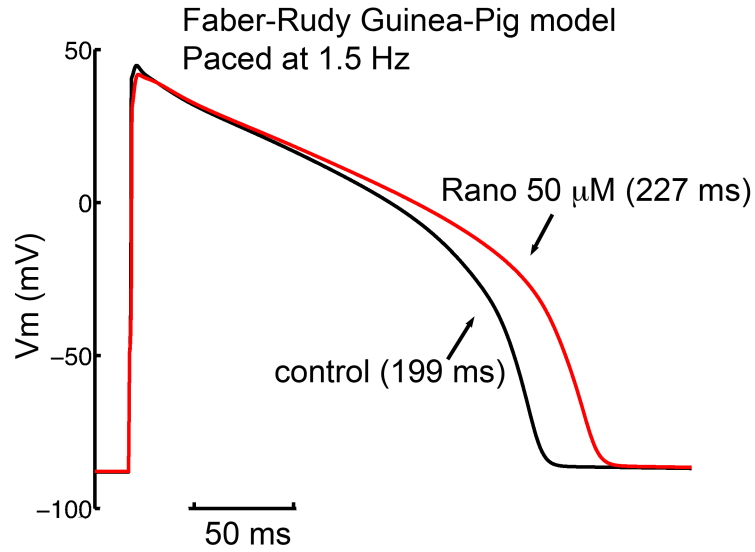
Online Figure XIII: Sensitivity analysis of ionic currents contributing to triggered APs

The current densities changed in the HF were varied by increased or decreased 10%. The baseline model was HF condition of 6-fold increased in Na^+ leak & 20% decreased in NKA, which induced four trigger action potentials. The y-axis indicates number of triggered action potentials.



Online Figure XIV: Analysis of composite effects of ranolazine

Here, we show the composite characteristics of ranolazine with I_{Na} and I_{Kr} effects (green) as seen experimentally. We then deconstructed the contributions to each current and show the effects of a hypothetical “pure I_{Na} block ranolazine” (red), or “pure I_{Kr} block ranolazine” (blue). Panels (A) and (B) show the effects of 5 μ M and 10 μ M, respectively. Consistent with experiments and our hypothesis, a pure I_{Na} block would serve to *decrease* the APD as compared to control (black), and a pure I_{Kr} block would tend to *increase* the APD as compared to control. True ranolazine (simulated in green) shows composite characteristics and lengthens the APD modestly.



Online Figure XV: Analysis of ranolazine on a simulated guinea-pig ventricular myocyte

To compare APD prolongation with experimental data ³⁹, we simulated the effects of 50 μ M ranolazine on a simulated guinea-pig ventricular myocyte model ⁴⁰ at 1.5 Hz. Consistent with experiments, ranolazine lengthens the APD by 14% (as compared to 22% experimentally).

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